

Hello I hope you and your family are doing well and staying safe. The Council appointed Carol Womack to the open position on the Council. Carol has lived in Montverde for many years and I am sure will bring a different point of view to your Council which is always needed. Please join me with congratulating Carol to her new position when you see her out and about,,,, she often drives the Montverde Public Safety car around town.

I would like to mention that Golf Carts are NOT allowed to drive on RT455 or Ridgewood and Fosgate. These are County roads and the County does NOT allow golf carts on their roads in this area. There are signs in place along Ridgewood and RT 455 downtown Montverde were golf carts are allowed to cross. Anyone driving a golf cart on these roads will get a ticket if and when a police officer sees you.. Please obey the law and be a good example to the younger kids in our Town, Thank You.

I would hope you are aware of this already, but I want to mention that Montverde Day will be on October 27th and 28th. Our Townhall Team has been getting things all ready and set up for this great 43rd Montverde Day.. Hope to see you there. We will also be having Trunk or Treat October 29th in Kirk Park. Please bring your family and come enjoy a wonderful event.

We just had the Ground Breaking Event for our new 8,000 square foot Library. This building will be a spectacular example of a modern up to date Library with separate meeting rooms and offices. Please stop by and view the plans and the progress as the building gets built over the next year.

Many people are calling me about the Waste Pro issues we have been having. We have been addressing the Waste Pro operation along with Waste Pro and believe we have things going in the correct direction once again. If you have an issue with their performance feel free to call your Townhall (407-469-2681) or Myself (407-496-1673) and let us know.

Lastly we have increased the police presents in Montverde with Off Duty Lake County Officers and Off Duty Florida Highway Patrol. Your Council has also increased the Budget which started on October 1st 2023 for Law Enforcement for our Town. I for one feel this approach has worked very well for a reasonable cost in the past 8 years... Please feel free to email me at <u>Mayor@Mymontverde.com</u> or call me if you have any ideas to make this program even better, I would enjoy hearing from you.

As always if I can help you with anything please feel free to give me a call. Also if possible please try to attend your Council meeting the 2nd Tuesday of every Month. We serve dinner to EVERYONE starting at 6pm till 7 and if you can stay our Council meeting starts at 7pm.

Many Thanks , Joe Wynkoop 407-496-1673 cell

Library News

October, I can't believe it's already here! This year has been flying by. We are working hard to prepare for the start of Montverde Day which will be Friday October 27th from 6:30 p.m. - 11:00p.m. and Saturday October 28th from 9:30 - 11:00 p.m. We have an amazing line up which includes live music, a midway, food trucks and lots of vendors. We can't wait to see everyone there. Halloween is quickly approaching; if you are interested in decorating your trunk please call Kathleen at 407-469-3838 to be put on the list. We have many different activities planned for Trunk-or-Treat! These will include costume contest which will be judged, best dancer, and best decorated vehicles. Be prepared to bring your "A Game" !! Trunk-or-Treat will take place a Kirk Park on Sunday, October 29th at 5:30 p.m. We would like to send a heartfelt thank you to those who have donated to our library! We also kindly ask you to save your plastic bags and egg cartons. We are looking forward to a very exciting October and the final few months of 2023.

Thank You,

Kathleen and Hilary

Town Manager's Message

Greetings,

The town has started working on several capital projects in town. You will notice a lot of activity around the Town Hall area. The sports court construction is underway and is moving fast. This park amenity will feature four pickleballs, two tennis courts, and four basketball courts. Funding for the projects was from the town selling excess land to the Lake County Fire Department and Impact fees paid by developers. The town hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the new library/community building. This 8,000-square-foot building will feature an expanded book collection, town offices, meeting space, study areas, dedicated children and teen space, and an enhanced lobby to showcase the town's history and heritage. This 2.2-million-dollar building is being funded from Lake County Impact Fees, Montverde Impact fees paid by developers, and ARPA Funds the town received from the federal government.

The town is also diligently working on plans for the new sewer system and stormwater improvements. These two projects are funded by grants that will help with water quality for our area's lakes. These projects will kick off in 2024 and are fully funded by grants.

On water quality, Montverde is known for its picturesque beauty and surrounding lakes. Ensuring the water quality in our lakes is a priority for our town. Please remember not to blow your grass clippings in the street,

use low phosphorus and nitrogen fertilizer, and keep your driveways clean of chemicals and oil. The town has strict ordinances to maintain the quality of our aquifer and lakes. Lastly, Montverde Day is around the corner. We will have some great bands and acts lined up, an enhanced play area for the kids, a car show, and one of the largest raffles to date. Please plan on joining us on October 27th and 28th as we celebrate everything great about Montverde.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the staff at town hall.



Paul Larino, Town Manager



